

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 5-15 are pending in this application. Claims 2, 3, and 4 were canceled and their limitations incorporated into claim 1. Claims 7-10 have been amended to depend from amended claim 1. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the following remarks.

Claims 4-6 were objected to for being dependent upon a rejected claim, but were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 1 now includes the limitations of claims 2, 3, and 4.

Applicants' attorney believes claims 5 and 6 were improperly objected to since the claims were amended in the March 10, 2004 response to depend directly (claim 5) and indirectly (claim 6) from the new and allowed claim 11, rather than the "objected to" claim 4.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance and requests that the Examiner pass the case to issuance. If the Examiner should have any questions, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at 972-732-1001 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible. No fee is believed due in connection with this filing. However, should one be deemed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the appropriate fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1065.

Respectfully submitted,

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